

CITY OF DERBY

BLIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.

JOAN WILLIAMSON ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS

MINUTES

Chairman Joseph DiMartino called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All rose and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Joseph DiMartino, Thomas Donofrio, Jim DiMartino

Also Present: James Watson, Blight Official
Marc J. Garofalo, Town & City Clerk

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CORRECTIONS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Joseph DiMartino said he would like to add two items to the agenda:

- New item #14 – Move to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 17-25 Crescent Street to the Blight List.
- New item #15 - Move to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 5-7 East Hawkins Street to the Blight List.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to add new item #14 and new item #15 with adjournment now item #16 to the agenda.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Joseph DiMartino asked if anyone wished to speak during public portion. There were no requests and the public portion was closed.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 27, 2019 MEETING

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Jim DiMartino to approve the Minutes of the June 27, 2019 meeting as presented. **Motion carried.**

210 HAWKINS STREET – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO WAIVE PENALTY

Mr. Watson said Mr. Sarmiento has sent in a letter requesting that the \$13,300.00 penalty as of February 2019 be waived.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to waive the penalty in the

amount of \$13,300.00 as of February 2019 per Carlo Sarmiento, Building Official. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Garofalo noted that the \$13,300.00 was the penalty amount in February 2019. He said the amount must have increased by that time and suggested amending the motion to waive the entire amount of the penalty as of the Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen's next meeting date.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION

Mr. Joseph DiMartino and Mr. Donofrio amended their motion to reflect waiving the entire penalty amount for 210 Hawkins Street. **Amended motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 210-214 DERBY AVENUE FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 210-214 Derby Avenue Road be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 39 GRANDVIEW BOULEVARD FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Jim DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 39 Grandview Boulevard be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 111 PLEASANT VIEW ROAD FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 111 Pleasant View Road be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 204-206 DERBY AVENUE FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Jim DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 204-206 Derby Avenue be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO ADD 204-206 DERBY AVENUE TO THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 204-206 Derby Avenue to the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO ADD 3 FRANCIS STREET TO THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Jim DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 3 Francis Street to the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

NEW ITEM #14 - MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO ADD 17-25 CRESCENT STREET TO THE BLIGHT LIST.

Mr. Watson informed the committee that there have been on-going problems with this property for the past three years. He said the bank has foreclosed on the property. There is garbage all over the yard and the second-floor porch in the rear is caving in.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 17-25 Crescent Street to the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

NEW ITEM #15 - MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO ADD 5-7 EAST HAWKINS STREET TO THE BLIGHT LIST.

Mr. Watson said someone moved out of the home and left all their garbage all over the place.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Jim DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen to add 5-7 East Hawkins Street to the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. Donofrio to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



Patty Finn
Recording Secretary

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BLIGHT COMMITTEE AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.